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The following text was submitted to the Ambassador by the Army, Navy and Air Force Attachés on October 26, 1962:

"1. In summary, the local situation is that leaders of the Urug Armed Forces have professed privately their support of U.S. action re Cuba. It is probable that these expressions represent an overwhelmin majority of the Armed Forces. However, there is little that they, as individuals, can do in support of U.S. and OAS military actions and policies. Basically, the Army is neither organized, equipped, nor trained to provide an effective component for an OAS Force. Navy has t ex-U.S. destroyer escorts in a good state of operational readiness wh could be employed; and Air Force has a limited jet fighter (F-80) and transport (C-47) capability. However, under the Uruguayan Constituti none of these forces could be made available for combat missions outs Uruguay without legislative approval. Even a token contribution woul be extremely complicated.

"2. It is noteworthy but characteristic of the Uruguayan Armed Forces that no key individuals on active duty or retired have committ themselves publicly to the extent of a declaration in the press.

"3. Considering the involved structure of the Executive Branch, the delay before it instructed the Uruguayan OAS delegate to vote for the U.S. resolution, and considering the impending national elections it is highly improbable that the Uruguayan Armed Forces will take any action other than to reinforce local internal security measures again an active communist minority.

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